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SUBJECT: OFFSET - RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT; URANIUM  
ENRICHMENT

REF: BONN 14778

1. SUMMARY: AS PROMISED (SEE PARA 7, REFTEL)FRG  
TECHNOLOGY MINISTRY PROVIDED SOME ADDITIONAL DATA ON  
POSSIBLE OFFSET S&T PROJECTS WHICH DR. SCHMIDT-KUESTER  
WILL WISH TO DISCUSS DURING HIS MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON  
ON SEPTEMBER 23. TECHMIN REP USED THIS OPPORTUNITY TO  
URGE MORE POSITIVE USG POSITION WITH RESPECT TO  
PURCHASE OF ENRICHED URANIUM UNDER ARTICLE 4A OF OFFSET  
AGREEMENT. END SUMMARY

2. JOINT VENTURES IN URANIUM PROSPECTING (PARA 4,  
BONN 9074):  
FRG WOULD ANTICIPATE EXPENDITURE OF GERMAN FUNDS FOR  
PROSPECTING IN US TO TOTAL UP TO DM 30 MILLION.

3. REACTOR SAFETY RESEARCH:  
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IN ADDITION TO PROJECT LISTED PARA 3B, BONN 9074, FRG

WOULD ANTICIPATE EXPENDITURE OF GERMAN FUNDS IN US TOTALLING UP TO DM 20 MILLION FOR RESEARCH PROGRAM INVOLVING LOSS OF FLUID TEST FACILITY (LOFT), POWER BURST FACILITY (PBF), THE PLENUM FILLING EXPERIMENT, FOR PURCHASE OF A REACTOR SIMULATOR FOR A TRAINING CENTER AT ESSEN, AND FOR THE PUMP EXPERIMENTS IN KWU/ COMBUSTION ENGINEERING PROJECT.

4. COAL LIQUEFACTION:

THE FRG WOULD PARTICIPATE SIGNIFICANTLY IN A BIG DEMONSTRATION PLANT (THE SOLVENT REFINED COAL PLANT, SRC) TO BE BUILT BY A GULF SUBSIDIARY. DR. SCHMIDT-KUESTER WILL PRESENT DETAILS ON SEPTEMBER 23.

5. IN TECHMIN VIEW, THESE PROJECTS, TOGETHER WITH PROJECTS AND SCIENTIFIC PROCUREMENT LISTED IN BONN 09074 AND OTHER POSSIBILITIES, I.E. BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY, SHOULD MEET THE DM 100 MILLION REQUIREMENT ESTABLISHED BY ARTICLE 4B OF THE OFFSET AGREEMENT.

6. FRG TECHNOLOGY MINISTRY REP WOULD APPRECIATE AN EARLY SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM OF PURCHASING ENRICHED URANIUM FROM THE US UNDER SECTION 4A OF THE OFFSET AGREEMENT.

7. EMBASSY COMMENT:

FOREGOING DATA ARE DRAWN FROM INFORMAL TECHMIN MEMORANDUM TO EMBASSY'S S&T COUNSELOR. WE DO NOT PLAN TO RESPOND TO THIS INFORMAL MEMORANDUM IN ANY WAY, PENDING DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON WITH DR. SCHMIDT-KUESTER AND AMBASSADOR HERMES. HILLENBRAND

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